FRIENDS OF THE BARABOO PUBLIC LIBRARY ADVOCACY, FUNDRAISING, VOLUNTEERISM ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 14, 2021- 6:00 pm
Virtual format only
Zoom link available upon request to baraboolibrary@gmail.com

- I. Call to order and welcome- Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Board President Sara Roltgen with Pat Shear as Recording Secretary. Board members attending were, current members Emily Olson, Aimee Schulz and Jessica Bergin and incoming member Tut Grambling. Absent were Anne Horjus and John Ellington. Others attending, Sylvia Kriegl, Bryant Hazard, Judith Curtin, Sandra Jackson, Nijole Etzwiler, Jan Phelps and Breanne Thompson.
- **II.** Review of agenda- Accepted as written.
- **III.** Minutes of January 9, 2020 meeting- Accepted as written.
- IV. President's remarks- Sara Roltgen shared a Power Point presentation highlighting the work done by the Friends in the past year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic many Friends activities were cancelled or changed in 2020. However, items, such as DVDs, books, recording equipment, toys and games were purchased for the library. Winter décor for the building was supplied and the Books for Newborns outreach program was continued.
- **V. Treasurer's report-** Emily Olson presented the current report.
- VI. Director's remarks- Jessica Bergin expressed appreciation for the Friends support. She gave a report of how the library is currently working and adapting under the health crisis. The construction project is set to begin this spring with the library planning to remain open during most of that time. Completion is projected to be September 2022. At that time the name will be changed to the Carnegie Schadde Memorial Library. Jessica also expressed her thanks to outgoing President, Sara Roltgen for her work on the Friends board.
- VII. Proposed amendment to bylaws (see page 2)- Sara Roltgen read the proposed amendment and Jessica Begin explained the need to have additional people on the Board who are familiar with the Friends operation and who can help with activities. Motion to amend the Friends of the Baraboo Public Library By-laws to create two members-at-large made by Emily Olson, seconded by Pat Shear. Motion carried. The positions will be in effect immediately.
- VIII. Installation of executive board members- New Board Members: President, Emily Olson; Treasurer, Tut Gramling. Continuing Board members: Vice-President, Aimee Schulz, Secretary, Pat Shear.

- **IX. Open membership discussion-** Pat Shear expressed her appreciation for Sara Roltgen's work with the Friends.
- X. Approval of disbursement requests- None.
- **XI. Adjournment-** Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Emily Olson and seconded by Aimee Schulz. Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Pat Shear – Meeting Minutes Recorder January 14, 2021

Approved January 11, 2022

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FRIENDS OF THE BARABOO PUBLIC LIBRARY BYLAWS January 14, 2021

ADDITION:

The Friends of the Baraboo Public Library board which includes four executive positions, the library board representative, library staff member, and library director shall also include two non-executive members-at-large to serve with voting rights, participate on committee work, and prepare for executive positions upon availability.

Current Friends or community members are recruited and vetted by the executive board for 2-year terms with no term limits.